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THE WEATHER TO-DAY: FAIR.

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FAIR RUNS ABOVE TUESDAY RECORD MADE LAST YEAR

Attendance Gains Steadily, Verdict Being Best Show Ever Held.

RICHMOND WILL CELEBRATE TO-DAY

All Eyes on Corn Prize and Aeroplane, Though Exhibits Generally Are Warmly Praised-Judges Begin Difficult Work of Awarding Honors to Kings.

Richmond Day Program

Gates open 8 A. M.
All exhibits open 8 A. M.
Judging begins 10 A. M.
Harness races, 1 P. M.
Running races, 3 P. M.
Aeropiane flights after 12 noon. Fireworks, 8 P. M.

SURPASSING by far the crowd of the day before, which itself sur-passed the crowd of the first day of the fair last year, people thronged in thousands the State Fair Grounds yesterday, participating equally in the yesterday, participating equally in the enjoyment of the races, the free vaude-ville attractions, the side shows on Wash Hoo Lane and the numerous exhibits relating to farming, stock-raising and manufacturing. People passed to and fro all day long, and one person barely left his stand before it was filled by another. The grandstand was much better filled than on Monday, and around the fence and in the byways traversing the exhibits, the great majority congregated to take in the sights that make the fair.

make the fair.

Extraordinary Exhibits. It is hard to realize the extent of e exhibits and the variety of the at-

en. Horticulturists come in for a neral display; dairymen have much display; dairymen have much washington, and is said to have revery known variety of fowl, both and down to both American and Mexican, for several years.

Washington, and is said to have recelved a medal from the Pope in recognition of her services to the church, both American and Mexican, for several years. show: coultry fanciers are exhibit washing to the exhibit of cattle, tenry Fairfax, president of the Virinia State Fair Association, said, reople don't realize the class of cate on show here. It is the finest, ithout doubt, we have ever had, and eople should come out to see it. tes aid that the mules are the best in reir class, and that the other classes of live stock are perfectly wonderful to undarrywhere in America.

To several years.

WASHINGTON, D. C., October 5.—The death of the Marquise Marie Moard Marguise Marie Moard Marguise Association, said, the said that of the Marquise Marie Marguise Marie Marguise Marie Marguise Marie Marguise Marie Marguise Mar

the day. The candidates were brought they have only the kindlest recollector rings, with circus seats ranged tions of the Marquise's generosity. around, and the judging demanded and received as much attention as anything else, many women looking on with their husbands and brothers.

The horses thoroughbred and stand.

which, for Monday, the first day, showed that the attendance was much in excess of that of the opening day last year, and it must have been fully doubled yesterday, for the entire grounds were covered with moving masses. More conveniences were afforded for carriages and motor vehicles, which were ptrked.

The races went off with more distant han on the first day, and were more spirited, especially in the trotting expenses, some of which were especially stones, some of which were especially close and exciting. The steeplechase resulted in the usual series of falls, four out of a field of seven stumbling at the jumps. James Martin, a col-

at the jumps, James Martin, a col-ored jockey, broke his collarbone, and the jumps. Richard Tyler, colored, was soverel thocked and rendered unconscious Both were treated in the Emergenc Hospital, where physicians and city doctors take turns in attending to the

sick and injured.

Again, as on the first day, the flight of the Curitss acroplane was the thrilling feature of the afternoon, three ascensions being made by the Golden Filer. The third flight resulted in an unfortunate handling, which smashed the rudder and rendered the machine helpless. The break occurred in the western end of the field, and the machine was rolled back to its tent.

During the interim between the races the audience in the grandstand enjoyed

American Fisherman Not Permitted to Tall With Consul.

PENSACOLA, FLA., October 5.—After being held in a Mexican prison at Progress since September 4, and for the first seven days not allowed to communicate with the American consulate. Captain Joseph Science and seven men of the fishing schooner Caldwell H. Colt. of this port, were released today, according to a telegram received by the owners of the vessel from the American consul. At the same time a letter reached here from Progress from the captain, who states that he is not allowed to communicate with the American consul, nor will the official tell him why he has been arrested. The Mexicans have refused to give up the schooner, having lodged a formal complaint against her of poaching. The master of the schooner claims that he was caught in the gulf storm of nearly three weeks ago and so badly damaged that he went into Progress for reneirs, but was selzed immediately. the audience in the grandstand enjoyed the free vaudeville in front, wher flancing girls cavorted for their de acrobats disported hemselves in exciting manoeuvres in the air. A band played between the svents, and as an accompaniment to the free show acts.

Took in All Shows. ore the races the great crowds through the exhibits, seeing all rray of horses, cattle, swine, (Continued on Page Four-Column 5.)

First Prize, State Class

WON BY J. T. THORNTON, Port Royal, Va.

Marquise de Merinville Dies Just

Before Her Vessel Reaches

NEW YORK, October 5 .- The Mar

quise Marie Des Montiers-Merinville,

al from the Catholic Church in 1905, prior to which time the university profited by her munificence. The au-thorities at the university say that

visited on several occasions

HELD IN MEXICAN PRISON

#40.75 TO CALIFORNIA via Washington Sunset Route. Tourist car, without change. Berth, \$3.50. Lib-eral stopovers. Office \$20 East Main

Views With Suspicion Anti-Saloon Workers to Its Questions on Liquor Legislation, He Says.

CAN'T SEE WHY THEY ARE ASKED

Not Willing to Be Interrogated by Men Who Will Vote Against Him, He Declares, on Points at Variance With Platform of League.

DECLARING that he views with suspicion the series of questions propounded to him by the Anti-Saloon League of Virginia. and that Captain William P. Kent, the Republican nominee for Governor, has written a caustic reply to the series of interrogatories submitted by the league.

In his response, which was sent yes traffic at present.

Captain Kent's letter, which will be of much interest to the people of the State at this time, is as follows:

the exhibits and the variety of the attractions in one visit, for the panorama is so vast that it will take at least the week in which to view everything there is to be seen, especially to make a survey of the stock and farm products.

In the corn exhibit there are 12,000 ears; there are hundreds of bales of hay and other feed; there are pumpkins; there are exhibits of rye, wheat and coats, corn on the stalk and in the shuck; there are garden products fruits and everything else that is grown in Virginia. The corn exhibit is the largest—the largest single exhibit ever seen here, and farmers say that it is the best they have ever seen. Horticulturists come in for a green. Horticulturists come in for a shington, and is said to have respectively and the statem of the statement of t As Miss Caldwell, the Marquise gave a large sum of money for the founding of the Catholic University at Washington, and is said to have re-

elected Governor shall endeavor to car the death of the Marquise Marie Moaters-Merinville, who before her marriage was Miss Caldwell, of Louisville.

contained.

"I am advised that at the last moving of the Anti-Saloon League of Virginia, held at Norfolk, the official action of the league in convention as sembled, declared for the principle of local option as the best method of dealing with the liquor traffic at present. It will be seen from the above quotation from the Republican platiform, that my party has taken a position in advance of that adopted by sition in advance of that adopted by such questionable methods as to show conclusively that a majority of the virtue and intelligence of every one of these communities is in favor of the abolition of the quotation from the Republican platiform, that my party has taken a position in advance of that adopted by such questionable methods as to show conclusively that party of the virtue and intelligence of every one of these communities in the republican platiform, that my party has taken a position in advance of that adopted by such questionable methods as to show conclusively that a majority of the virtue and intelligence of every one of these communities in the republican platiform, that my party has taken a position in advance of that adopted by such questionable methods as to show conclusively that any intelligence of every one of these communities in two party of the virtue and intelligence of every one of these communities in the property of the virtue and intelligence of every one of these communities in the property of the virtue and intelligence of every one of these communities in two party of the virtue and intelligence of every one of these communities in the property of the virtue and intelligence of every one of these communities in the property of the virtue and intelligence of every one of these communities in the property of the virtue and intelligence of every one of these communities in the property of the virtue and intelligence of every one of these communities in the property of the virtue and intelligence of every one of these communities in the property of the virtue and intelligence of what authority you propound the many questions contained in your in-terrogatories, which are at variance with the well-defined purposes of the

as an organization.

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received as much attention as medical received as much attention as main buildings, was main buildings, wa ance may be promoted among the peo-ple, and I will say that in a gen-eral way it meets my approval, and if the proposed laws were drafted and adopted by the Legislature, in the event of my election I would approve

abroad, the baron losing his wife when his yacht and that of the German emperor were in collision. The elder sister afterwards became engaged to the Prince Murat, but the engagement was broken off. Subsequently she was married to the Marquis De Merinville, but a separation followed shortly afterwards. "In considering your interrogatories you must remember that I am not unmindful of the fact that practically The Marquise Marie Des Montiers nond, where, as Miss Caldwell, she had

unmindful of the fact that practically the entire executive committee of your organization is committed to the candidacy and support of my opponent.

"Such being the case, I naturally regard with suspicion the series of questions propounded to me, which are so openly at variance with the principles adopted by your organization in convention assembled.

"I desire to make the formal request that you publish for the information of the rank and file of your organization throughout the Commonwealth a list of the members of your executive committee as shown on your wealth a list of the memoers of your executive committee as shown on your printed letterhead who voted for my opponent in the recent Democratic primary, so that the people of Virginia may know whether or not you have engaged with you in subginla may know whether or not you and those engaged with you in submitting these interrogatories are already irrovocably committed to the support of the candidacy of my opponent. And if this should be true, I would like to inquire why you submit these interrogatories when no matter what my answer may be, it could not affect your action or vote in the coming election."

BLUEFIELD, W. VA., October 5.-A short line of railroad to connecthree new coal mines with the Nor folk and Western Railway, it is said will be built up Little Toms Creek by

KENT SENDS SHARP LEAGUE TO SOUND STATE ON LIQUOR ANSWER TO LEAGUE

> Get Sentiment as to Vote by People.

BELIEVE TIME RIPE FOR CHANGE

Executive Committee Seeks In formation for the Guidance of Convention to Be Held Here in January-Want People to Fix Date of Election.

T HAT State wide prohibition will shortly be the one absorbing shortly be the one absorbing political issue in Virginia there is hardly a doubt. The executive comhe does not recognize the right of its mittee of the Anti-Saloon League, at a president, Rev. H. P. Atkins, to catechise him as to temperance legislation structed its workers, which include the other than that adopted and advocated by the league as an organization, trict superintendents, to ascertain the sentiment of the people on the passage of a law by the next General Assembly giving the people the right to call by petition an election of the question In his response, which was sent yesterday from Winchester, Captain Kent refers to the fact that at its last meeting the Anti-Saloon League declared for the principle of local option as the best method of dealing with the liquor hibition, the law passed by the Legis-lature would fix the time when it would

In view of this action, he is unable to see why he should be called upon to say what he would do with legislation at variance with the purposes of the organization.

Furthermore, Captain Kent says he is indisposed to be questioned by men who are going to vote against him, as practically the entire membership of the executive committee of the league is pledged to the support of Judge Mann. He apparently has some difficulty in seeing how his views and purposes can interest the officials of the league, inasmuch as they will not vote for him in any case, no matter what he says.

Captain Kent's Reply.

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Superintendent James Cannon, Jr., of the league, effective.

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Dr. Cannon's Statement,
The following statement is made by
Dr. Cannon as to the situation from
the league's standpoint, the commit-

the league's standpoint, the commit-tee's instructions to its workers on the State-wide prohibition question, and his personal views: "The reports of the field workers were very interesting and suggestive. During the interval since the last meeting of the committee, elections have been held on the question of the sale of liquor in Blackstone, Franksale of liquor in Blackstone, Frank-lin, Radford, Bristol, Harrisonburg Shenandoah, Staunton,

"All of these elections have been fought by the Anti-Saloon League people, not only against the local liquor dealers, but against the National with the well-defined purposes of the organization which you assume to represent in submitting the series of interrogatories I received. I do not recognize your right in the capacity of an official of the Anti-Saloon League of Virginia to catechise me as to temperance legislation other than that adopted and advocated by your league as an organization.

ple. not only against the local liquor dealers, but against the National Liquor Dealers' Association. The large distilling and brewing interests have furnished men and money to carry on the fight in these towns in order to obtain depots of supplies, from which to flood the 'dry' territory with the 'jug' trade. The issue now is no longer between our Virginia people, as an organization. and the local liquor interests, but between our own people and the National Liquor Dealers' Association. The condition of affairs in Virginia is now rapidly approaching that which existed in the other Southern States, which have passed State-wide prohibition laws. The majority of the country people and the majority of the intelligent, substantial, unpurchasable citizens in nearly all of our towns and cities consider the saloon to be a public nuisance and demand its aboiltion. The practical question before the league is, How shall it be aboland the local liquor interests, but be lition. The practical question between the league is, How shall it be abol-

"The policy of the league in the pas "The policy of the league in the past has been the wisest it could have followed. The local option method has given excellent opportunity for the education of public sentiment, and the results attained have been gratifying in the extreme. The last convention declared that it would follow this polytics. This present year, but it was declared that it would follow this poitoy for this present year, but it was
flatly and unequivocally declared that
if it has become evident that we have
gone as far as we can go under the
local option policy, we shall be obliged to change that policy and demand
the right to vote on the question of a
State-wide prohibitory law.

Has the Time Come?

"Has the league gone as far as it can go under the local option policy? Has the time come to change its policy? The entrance of the National Liquor Dealers' Association into the conflict has injected a new element into the situation. The policy of these people is to furnish men and money to originate and carry on a contest in every town and city which has voted 'dry' as soon as the law will allow a new election. Hence the elections in Bisiol Radford Shenandoah Woodstock and soon Charlottesville, Berryville, etc.

"The purpose of this policy is to wear Has the Time Come?

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Wins \$450 on 10 Ears of Corn



BERKLEY D. ADAMS, OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY.

THREE FLIGHTS BY AEROPLANE AT FAIR

Crowd Waited Until Last Moment and Saw Thrilling Race Through Air.

Hanging on to the hope that the Curtiss Golden Flyer would again attempt a flight, three-fourths of the waited yesterday until 5:30 o'clock for Foster Willard, the personal representative of Glenn H. Curtiss, to make his appearance and to try the second time aerial navigation in Virginia. It had been hoped that flights could be made earlier during the day, but that greatest uncertainty of all uncertainties in life—the condition of the air—delayed Mr. Willard and his associates almost to the last minute.

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What was to the spectators the minimum of the autumn breeze was to the aviator a dangerous current, which could be encountered only at the greatest personal risk. He did not dare until he thought the conditions were right, and then he unfolded his tent and the aeroplane rolled out. Again the crowd fastened upon him and the machine like leeches, and the police were called into play so that room might be made for the passage of the machine to the centre field.

The word was passed round that the flight was to be made, and a thousand others who had been elsewhere taking in other sights, flocked to the roll of the sample chair. The conflict of the sample chair. The conflict of the chair shipped was cartiful to see the go. Many tried to push and elbow their way through, but officers held them back.

Lifted Itself Gracefully.

Resting at the eastern end of the field for its start, the aeroplane was tested, and then Mr. Willard took his seat. The motor was started, and at the signal of the aviator the machine twas freed, and, with a whirt of dust was freed, and the police was a dust of the conditions were called for the sample of the conditions was freed, and the supplied was freed and the conditions were calle

the sod.

Down the field it swept steadily, wavering a little up and down as it wavering a little up and down as it summer, the contract for 1,200 chairs for the auditorium of the High School but always onward from the terrific was awarded to the Virginia School was awarded to the Virginia School

until it comes to a stop.

The third flight, upfield, was much

better, but disastrous, for at the west ern landing place the machine struct a ridge in the field, and the rudde was broken in two as it came dow

a ringe in the rice, and a ringe in the rice and a strong on the uneven rise.

Raced nt High Speed.

The air seemed just right for Mr. Willard on his third try. He left the ground after a shorter run on the wheels, and midway of the field turned his forward plane upward, rising forty feet above the ground. The aeroplane responded readily to his touch, sweeping onward without a break or deflection to either side.

Beyond, the speed increased, and with his machine still forty feet above the grass, the aviator overreached himself, forgetting the discretion that had

with his machine still follow the grass, the aviator overreached himself, forgetting the discretion that had characterized his previous flights, and he went too far before beginning the downward incline. For the last few hundred feet he cut off his motor and coasted at a steep incline so as to reach the ground before he struck the fence on the far side. The ledge was in his way, but he had to alight on it or smash into the fence, and he took the ground. The aeroplane bounced; the ground several times and snapped in ground several times and snapped in two and the aeroplane was stopped. the rudder struck the rise in the ground several times and snapped in two, and the aeroplane was stopped for money and time to carry on the work incident to an election.

"The reports from the various sections of the rudder struck the rise in the ground several times and snapped in two, and the aeroplane was stopped was short of the rull. The damage was irreparable for the time being.

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BOARD REJECTS SCHOOL CHAIRS

Declares Contract Forfeited and Asks New Bids on High School Seats.

hours last night, the City School Board adopted a resolution declaring that the contract of the city with the Vir-School Supply Company for

taken after consultation with City Attorney Pollard, cuts through a most complicated situation, and insures to D., No. 5, Richmond.

was freed, and, with a whirt of dust in its wake, it rolled rapidly down the behind closed doors, and lasted until Taylorsville, Va. in its wake, it rolled rapidly down the field, thousands of eyes straining to after 11 o'clock. Superintendent Chandcatch its every movement. For a hundred yards it kept to terra firma, then it lifted slightly a few inches above, gradually increasing the elevation with the uplift of the frontal planes until it was twelve or fifteen feet clear of the sod.

was deflected one way or the other, but always onward from the terrific timpetus behind it.

Thousands of throats were loosened in a wild hurrah as the aeroplane settled at the far, end of the field after 500 or more yards of flight. The maintaine remained thirty seconds in the air. The return trip was effected in the same fashion, and with the same success. The elevation was somewhat higher, the distance about the same thing for the distance about the same of a bird, and swoops down for its landing with the grace of a bird, and swoops down for its landing with the grace of a bird, and swoops down for its landing with the grace of a bird, and swoops down for its landing with the graceted ease, skipping lightly over the ground until it strikes firmly, and then running along until it comes to a stop.

Was awarded to the Virginia School Supply Company, Preston Belvin, as sample chair as supple company being placed on exhibition. After the award the sample was locked up at the old High School locked up at the old High School Board declare that the chair shipped is not school Supply Company offered a replace of a bird, and swoops down for its landing with the greatest ease, skipping lightly over the ground until it strikes firmly, and then running along until it comes to a stop. what was purchased. The Virginia School Supply Company offered a relate of 35 cents a chair, if the board it ong Would accept the shipment already in Richmond, but the offer was rejected.

TRIANGULAR FIGHT

Democrats Nominate George Gordo Battle for District Attorney, NEW YORK, October 5.—The fight for the effice of District Attorney of

New York county became a triangular one to-night when the Democratic County Convention nominated George Gordon Battle, an organization Teach

George Gordon Battle, nominated by the Democrats of New York for District Attorney, is a native of North
Carolina. His wife was, before her marriage, Miss Martha Bagby, of this city.

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KING CORN HAILED AS FARMERS' HOPE IN OLD DOMINION

Berkley Adams Wins \$450 on Ten Ears at State Fair Contest.

HARD TO JUDGE WHICH IS BEST

Expert Crosley Amazed at Virginia's Record and Tells How Industry Can Grow-Planters Take Great Interest in Exhibit-Some Prize Winners.

CLASS I.—BEST SINGLE EAR WHITE "King .Corn" prize—J. L. Scott, Vinita, Va.
First premium—J. T. Thornton, Port Royal, Va.

Royal, Va. Second premium—C. U. Gravatt, Port Royal, Va. Third premium—Berkley D. Adams, Charlotte county.

Fourth premium—C. U. Gravatt, Port Royal, Va.

Sixth premium—G. Y. Hundley, Scottsburg, Va. Seventh premium—J. S. Woodyard, Chase City. CLASS II-BEST TEN EARS WHITE

"King Corn" prize—Berkley D.
Adams, Charlotte county.
First premium—C. U. Gravati, Pori Royal.
Third premium—H. M. Luttrell, Dela-plane.
Fourth premium—William L. Woed

Ashland. Fifth premium-5. R. Wingo. Sixth premium-A. F. Turuer, Port Royal.
Seventh premium—W. P. Smith & Son, Nutbush.

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CLASS HI.—BEST TWENTY EARS WHITE CORN.

"King Corn" prize—J. E. Conner, Mt Laurel, Vn.

First premium—A. F. Turner, Port Royal, Va.

Second premium—C. U. Gravatt, Port Royal, Va.

Third premium—T. T. Taylor, Broadford, Va.

Fourth premium—J. V. C. Beverly, Chance, Va.

Fifth premium—Albert Hewig, Meherrin, Va.

Sixth premium—H. M. Luttell, Delaplane, Va.

Seventh premium—Presque Isla Farm, Bermuda Hundred, Va.

CLASS IV .- BEST SINGLE EAR YEL-LOW CORN.

"King Corn" prize—Joe Parkinson,

Second premium-W. H. Dorin, Mt. Laurel, Va.

Laurel, Va.

Third premium—C. W. Tompkins &
Son.

Fourth premium—W. C. Parkinson,
Taylorsville, Va.

Fifth premium—J. E. Wheelwright,
Buckhead, Va.

Sixth premium—J. E. Conner, Mt.
Laurel, Va.

Seventh premium—W. H. Dorin, Mt. Seventh premium-W. H. Dorin, Mt. Laurel, Va.

CLASS V.—BEST TEN EARS YELLOW CORN "King Corn" prize-W. C. Parkinson

Report has it that the grand jury prize-winners went away jubilant over will inquire into the alleged substitu-their success, but not satisfied that tion of sample chair to-morrow. It they had reached perfection. They was a matter of comment when the had absorbed however, many new award was made that the price was ideas from Professor Crosley, which extremely low for the chair offered will make each succeeding exhibit New proposals will be called for at better and better as the years go by

better and better as the years go by.
Hardly was there a moment during
the day that Professor Crosley was not the centre of a circle of farmers who asked hundreds of questions and drank in everything he had to say on the subject. With amazing versatility of soils in all parts of the State from west of the Blue Ridge to the ocean and from the Potomac to the South west, showing every man what he needed most.

Great Thing for Virginia.